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Department of Parks and Recreation establishes maximum capacities of designated houseless campgrounds

LĪHU'E – The Department of Parks and Recreation is announcing that it has established maximum capacities for each of the five campgrounds that were designated for our houseless community in order to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of them and the people of Kaua'i from the potential spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

"Those in our current houseless community may obtain a permit at no cost to shelter in place at these campgrounds. County park rangers continue to reach out to people staying at these designated campgrounds to arrange for permits," said Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Wallace Rezentes Jr. "This permitting system helps the County of Kaua'i to meet the needs of our houseless community who must shelter in place, while also helping to ensure proper social distancing for the health and well-being of all."

As of April 22, the maximum capacities at Salt Pond Park and Lydgate Park

Campgrounds have been reached. There are approximately 128 campers sheltering at these
two campgrounds.

'Anini Beach Park, Anahola Beach Park, and Lucy Wright Park Campgrounds have not reached their sheltering capacities.

Anyone with questions may call the Department of Parks and Recreation at 808-241-4466.